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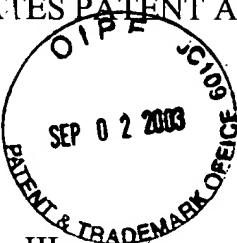
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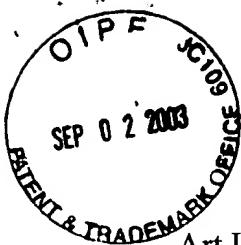
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Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on May 28, 2003. Please amend the application without prejudice as follows:

In the Claims

Kindly delete claims 1-16.

17. (New claim) A furniture piece, which comprises:

a plurality of rib units having at least one functional surface and a single supporting member;

wherein a composite of the functional surfaces of the rib units defines one or more surfaces of the furniture piece;

wherein each supporting member emanates consistently among the rib units from the same side of the furniture piece; and

interconnecting means for securing rib units to one or more of the other rib units.

18. (New claim) The furniture piece of claim 17 in which at least one functional surface defines a seating surface.

19. (New claim) The furniture piece of claim 17 in which at least one functional surface defines a tabletop surface.